

**REPORT OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
COOK COUNTY HEALTH AND HOSPITALS SYSTEM**

JUNE 18, 2008

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chairman Warren L. Batts and Directors David A. Ansell, MD, MPH; Hon. Jerry Butler; David Carvalho, JD; Quin R. Golden; Benn Greenspan, PhD, MPH, FACHE; Sister Sheila Lyne, RSM; Luis Munoz, MD, MPH; Heather E. O'Donnell, JD, LLM; Jorge Ramirez and Andrea L. Zopp (11)

Also Present: The Honorable William M. Beavers, Earlean Collins, Roberto Maldonado, Joseph Mario Moreno, Anthony J. Peraica, Mike Quigley and Larry Suffredin – Cook County Commissioners; Patrick T. Driscoll, Jr. – Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau; Laura Lechowicz Felicione – Special Counsel to President Todd H. Stroger; Robert Simon, MD – Transitional Advisor for President Todd H. Stroger; David Small – Chief Operating Officer, Cook County Bureau of Health Services; Matthew B. DeLeon – Secretary to the Board of Commissioners of Cook County

Court Reporter: Anthony W. Lisanti, C.S.R.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your Board of Directors of the Cook County Health and Hospital System met pursuant to notice on Wednesday, June 18, 2008 at the hour of 9:30 A.M. in the Board Room, Room 569, County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Your Board of Directors has considered the following items and upon adoption of this report, the recommendations follow.

Cook County Board President Todd H. Stroger in the Chair.

Matthew B. DeLeon, Secretary to the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, called the roll of members and it was determined that a quorum was present.

President Stroger presented opening remarks for the inaugural meeting of the Board of Directors of the Cook County Health and Hospital System.

An informational presentation on Cook County's health system was given by Robert R. Simon, MD, Transitional Advisor for President Todd H. Stroger.

Patrick T. Driscoll, Jr., Deputy State's Attorney and Chief of the Civil Actions Bureau of the Cook County State's Attorney, addressed the Board of Directors. He indicated that several areas of the State's Attorney's Office, including but not limited to those attorneys from the health care transactions group, medical litigation unit, and labor and employment unit would be assisting the Health and Hospitals System Board.

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Mr. Driscoll pointed out that the Health and Hospitals System Board is governed by the Illinois Open Meetings Act and the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, and stated that information pertaining to these Acts was distributed to the members.

President Stroger opened the floor to nominations for Chairman of the Cook County Health and Hospitals System Board of Directors.

Director Butler, seconded by Director Munoz, moved to nominate Director Warren L. Batts as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Cook County Health and Hospitals System.

Finding that there were no other nominations for Chairman from the floor, President Stroger closed the floor to nominations.

On the motion made by Director Butler, seconded by Director Munoz, to nominate Warren L. Batts as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Cook County Health and Hospitals System, a voice vote was taken and THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairman Batts in the Chair.

Chairman Batts opened the floor to nominations for Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Cook County Health and Hospitals System.

Director Butler, seconded by Director Zopp, moved to nominate Director Sister Sheila Lyne as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Cook County Health and Hospitals System.

Following discussion, Directors Butler and Zopp withdrew their motion to nominate Director Lyne as Vice Chairman.

Director Ramirez, seconded by Director Munoz, moved to allow for time to solicit interest from Directors on the Vice Chairmanship and on the structuring of committees. THE MOTION CARRIED. Director Lyne voted Present, and Directors Butler and Zopp voted No.

Director Ansell, seconded by Director Lyne, moved to direct the Chief Operating Officer of the Bureau of Health Services to work with the Office of the Cook County State's Attorney to develop System Board Rules to be reviewed and approved by the System Board. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Director Ansell, seconded by Director Carvalho, moved to create the following four committees: Finance and Audit; Management and Human Resources; Purchasing; and Quality and Compliance.

Director Lyne expressed an interest in forming a Chief Executive Officer recruitment committee.

Chairman Batts believed that it could be an ad hoc special committee that could be formed in the near future.

Director Zopp expressed an interest in forming a strategic planning committee and a bylaws committee or subcommittee.

Chairman Batts inquired of Director Ansell whether the proposed Quality and Compliance Committee would include the Joint Commission function.

Director Ansell replied in the affirmative.

Director Golden inquired whether the proposed Purchasing Committee would include operations functions.

Chairman Batts believed that operational discussions would be undertaken in the Finance Committee.

Director Greenspan, seconded by Director Zopp, moved to amend the motion by proposing the creation of a Strategic Planning Committee. **THE MOTION CARRIED.** Director Butler voted No.

On the main motion, as amended, a voice vote was taken and **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The following five committees were created by this action:

Finance and Audit
Management and Human Resources
Purchasing
Quality and Compliance
Strategic Planning

Director Carvalho, seconded by Director Munoz, moved to recess the regular session and convene into executive session to discuss personnel matters, pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), et seq., which permits closed meetings for consideration of "the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity". **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Director Munoz, seconded by Director Ramirez, moved to adjourn the executive session and convene into regular session. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Director Greenspan, seconded by Director Lyne, moved that the Board of Directors of the Cook County Health and Hospitals System meet on Friday, July 11, 2008 at the hour of 7:30 A.M. at the offices of the Bureau of Health Services, 1900 W. Polk, Second Floor Conference Room, in Chicago, Illinois. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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Director Lyne, seconded by Director Zopp, moved to contract with Med-Assets to provide a temporary Chief Financial Officer for the Bureau of Health Services. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Director Munoz, seconded by Director Greenspan, moved to authorize David Small to start the process of recruiting a permanent Chief Financial Officer for John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Director Lyne, seconded by Director Munoz, moved that the Chairman appoint the Chair of the committees and subcommittees. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairman Batts asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speaker.

1. George Blakemore Concerned Citizen

Director Lyne, seconded by Director Munoz, moved to adjourn. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Directors
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Mr. Warren L. Batts, Chairman

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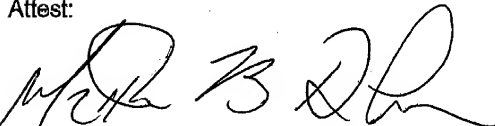
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